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SUBJECT: CODEL ROSENTHAL/FRASER

1. REP. BENJAMIN ROSENTHAL AND REP. DONALD M. FRASER WILL
HEAD A DELEGATION TO MEETING WITH EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARIANS
IN FLORENCE MARCH 20 TO 22. REP. SAM GIBBONS IS PROGRAM
CHAIRMAN FOR THE FLORENCE MEETING. PARTIAL LIST OF
PARTICIPANTS FOLLOWS: REPS. LESTER WOLFF, MARK ANDREWS,
HENRY REUSS, PETER FRELINGHUYSEN, LEO RYAN, J. HERBERT
BURKE, GUS YATRON AND STAFF MEMBERS CLIFFORD HACKET AND
ROBERT BOETTCHER. FOLLOWING WIVES WILL ACCOMPANY:
MRS. ROSENTHAL, MRS. GIBBONS, MRS. WOLFF, MRS. ANDREWS,
MRS. BURKE, MRS. YATRON, MRS. HACKETT AND MRS. BOETTCHER.

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TOTAL PARTICIPANTS EXPECTED TO BE 12 TO 14 MEMBERS.

ADDITIONAL NAMES WILL BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS RECEIVED.

2. ITINERARY: TRAVEL WILL BE BY USAF CARGO FLIGHT FROM WASHINGTON TO BRUSSELS AND FROM NAPLES TO WASHINGTON. USAF THEATER AIRCRAFT WILL BE USED WITHIN EUROPE. EXACT FLIGHT TIME TO FOLLOW SEPTEL:

3/17 LV. WASH AR. BRUSSELS

3/20 LV. BRUSSELS AR. FLORENCE

3/22 LV. FLORENCE AR. NAPLES

3/24 LV. NAPLES AR. WASH

3. FOR BRUSSELS:

(A) CODEL PLANS SPEND MARCH 18 AND 19 IN PREPARATORY BRIEFINGS BEING ARRANGED BY USEC.

(B) 3/18 - MEETINGS WITH MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE OF EUROPEAN COMMUNITY ON US-EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ISSUES.

3/19 - MEETINGS WITH US DELEGATION TO EC AND WITH US DELEGATION TO NATO.

(C) AMBASSADOR GREENWALT AND GEORGE BARBIS KNOW IN DETAIL OF CODEL'S PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS. PROGRAM FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 19 SHOULD ATTEMPT AS INDICATED, TO ALLOW PARTICIPANTS OPPORTUNITY TO MEET IN SMALL GROUPS WITH EC COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF CONCERNED WITH; 1) ENERGY AND MONETARY; 2) AGRICULTURE AND 3) TRADE TOPICS IN ADDITION TO PLENARY MEETINGS WITH SOAMES AND OTHERS CONCERNED WITH BROAD US-EUROPEAN QUESTIONS.

(D) PLEASE CHANGE HOTEL RESERVATIONS TO 12 DOUBLES AND 6 SINGLES.

(E) CODEL WILL REQUIRE 2 SMALL BUSES AND ONE SEDAN.

4. FOR FLORENCE:

(A) 3/20 - ARRIVE AM

3/20 - PM: INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH EP DELEGATION AND WORKING DINNER WITH EP DELEGATION.

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3/21 - AM: PLENARY SESSIONS ON DEFENSE AND ENERGY

3/21 - PM: FREE FOR INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS (WORKING GROUPS MEET.

3/22 - AM: PLENARY SESSIONS ON DEFENSE AND ENERGY

3/22 - PM: PRESS CONFERENCE AND FAREWELL LUNCH. DEPARTURE FOR NAPLES.

(B) HACKETT/GORDON LETTER OF FEBRUARY 16 INDICATES

CODEL'S REQUIREMENTS MOST OF WHICH EP STAFF WILL HANDLE. MEETINGS WITH EP DELEGATION WILL TAKE PLACE IN INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS PALACE. CODEL APPRECIATES GORDON OFFER TO HOST RECEPTION THURSDAY EVENING. ALSO APPRECIATE POST'S SUGGESTIONS FOR WOMEN'S PROGRAM FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY MORNING.

(C) ROOMS ALREADY RESERVED IN ALBERGO DE MEDICI. PLEASE ADJUST TO 12 DOUBLES AND 6 SINGLES.

(D) CODEL WILL REQUIRE TWO BUSES AND ONE SEDAN.

5. FOR NAPLES

(A) 3/22 - PM ARRIVAL

(B) USAF ARRANGING BRIEFINGS AT US MILITARY HEADQUARTERS SATURDAY MORNING. APPROPRIATE PROGRAM FOR WOMEN DURING THAT PERIOD WOULD BE APPRECIATED AS WELL AS SUGGESTIONS FOR PROGRAM ENTIRE GROUP SATURDAY AFTERNOON AND SUNDAY MORNING. POSSIBILITY OF VISIT TO SIXTH FLEET SHIP OR OTHER ACTIVITY TO SEE NAPLES HARBOR AREA ALREADY SUGGESTED TO USAF ESCORT.

(C) PLEASE RESERVE 12 DOUBLES AND SIX SINGLES AT EXCELSIOR OR SIMILAR HOTEL.

(D) DOD REQUESTING MILITARY TO FURNISH GROUND TRANSPORTATION. WILL CONFIRM BY SEPTTEL.

6. FOR ALL POSTS:

(A) CODEL STRONGLY PREFERS MINIMUM OFFICIAL HOSPITALITY
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ESPECIALLY FORMAL DINNERS OR RECEPTIONS. SINCE PURPOSE OF CODEL'S TRAVEL IS TO SEEK INFORMATION ON US-EUROPEAN RELATIONS AND TO DISCUSS THESE RELATIONS WITH APPROPRIATE AMERICAN AND EUROPEAN OFFICIALS, EMPHASIS SHOULD BE ON MAXIMUM OPPORTUNITY FOR INFORMAL AND FRUITFUL MEETINGS.

(B) MILITARY ESCORTS ARE COL. ANTHONY BURSHNICK AND T/S JOSEPH MCDONALD. ESCORTS HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN REQUESTS FOR HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS.

(C) 19FT510 AUTHORIZATION WILL FOLLOW SEPTTEL. CASEY
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